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Submitted by: Paul Fassinger, Research Director

Subject: Computer Hardware Purchase for PECAS Land Use Modeling System

Date: March 19, 2009

Executive Summary

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Next Steps

The hardware for the PECAS model is dependent upon the purchase of the PECAS Model software, and would occur only after approval of the authorization to purchase the PECAS software.

Attachment

Item 6.F.

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ABAG Executive Board To:

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